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IN RE APPLICATION OF

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KOICHI SUGITA, ET AL.

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: GROUP ART UNIT: 1638

FOR: NOVEL VECTOR FOR INTRODUCING A GENE INTO A PLANT USING A
SELECTABLE MARKER

AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated December 24, 2003, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

A discussion of the **Support for the Amendments** begins at page 4 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.



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SIR:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment and Request for Reconsideration in the above-identified application.

- ☒ No additional fee is required
- ☐ Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. §1.9 and §1.27 is claimed.
- ☐ Additional documents filed herewith:

The Fee has been calculated as shown below:

CLAIMS	CLAIMS REMAINING		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID	NO. EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	CALCULATIONS
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INDEPENDENT	1	MINUS	3	0	x \$86 =	\$0.00
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		TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS				\$0.00
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- ☒ If these papers are not considered timely filed by the Patent and Trademark Office, then a petition is hereby made under 37 C.F.R. §1.136, and any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 for any necessary extension of time may be charged to Deposit Account No. 15-0030. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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